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5 STRIKE 3 HOLDINGS, LLC,
6 Plaintiff,

7 v.

8 JOHN DOE SUBSCRIBER ASSIGNED IP
ADDRESS 75.50.80.247,

9 Defendant.

Case No. 18-cv-05962-JCS

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**ORDER GRANTING EX PARTE
APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO
SERVE SUBPOENA BEFORE RULE
26(F) CONFERENCE**

17 Re: Dkt. No. 8

18 Plaintiff Strike 3 Holdings, LLC moves ex parte for leave to serve a third party subpoena
prior to a Rule 26(f) hearing. The Court being duly advised does hereby **FIND, ORDER AND
ADJUDGE:**

19 1. Plaintiff has established that “good cause” exists for it to serve a third party
subpoena on AT&T Inc. (“AT&T”). *See UMG Recording, Inc. v. Doe*, No. C 08-1193 SBA, 2008
WL 4104214, *4 (N.D. Cal. 2008); and *Arista Records LLC v. Does 1-19*, 551 F. Supp. 2d 1, 6-7
(D.D.C. 2008).

20 2. Plaintiff may serve AT&T with a Rule 45 subpoena commanding AT&T to provide
Plaintiff with the true name and address of the Defendant to whom AT&T assigned the IP address
75.50.80.247. Plaintiff shall attach to any such subpoena a copy of this Order.

21 3. Plaintiff may also serve a Rule 45 subpoena in the same manner as above on any
service provider that is identified in response to a subpoena as a provider of Internet services to
Defendant (together with AT&T, the “ISPs”).

22 4. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that subpoenas authorized by this order and issued
pursuant thereto shall be deemed appropriate court orders under 47 U.S.C. § 551. In particular, 47
U.S.C. § 551(c)(2)(B) provides as follows:

23 (c) Disclosure of personally identifiable information

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25 26 (2) A cable operator may disclose such information if the disclosure is—

1 [. . .]

2 (B) subject to subsection (h) [relating to disclosures to governmental
3 agencies] of this action, made pursuant to a court order authorizing such
3 disclosure, if the subscriber is notified of such order by the person to whom
the order is directed

4 This order is an order authorizing such disclosure.

5 5. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that each ISP will have 30 days from the date of
6 service upon it to serve each of its subscriber(s) whose identity information is sought with a copy
7 of the subpoena and a copy of this order. The ISPs may serve the subscribers using any
8 reasonable means, including written notice sent to the subscriber's last known address, transmitted
9 either by first-class mail or via overnight service.

10 6. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that each subscriber and each ISP shall have 30
11 days from the date of service upon him, her or it to file any motions in this court contesting the
12 subpoena (including a motion to quash or modify the subpoena). If the 30-day period after service
13 on the subscriber lapses without the subscriber or the ISP contesting the subpoena, the ISP shall
14 have 10 days to produce to Plaintiff the information responsive to the subpoena with respect to
15 that subscriber.

16 7. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any ISP that receives a subpoena shall preserve
17 all subpoenaed information pending the ISP's delivering such information to Plaintiff or the final
18 resolution of a timely filed motion to quash the subpoena with respect to such information.

19 8. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any information disclosed to Plaintiff in
20 response to a subpoena may be used by Plaintiff solely for the purpose of protecting its rights
21 under the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.

22 9. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any name or other personal identifying
23 information of any current or proposed defendant shall be filed UNDER SEAL in all filings and
24 not otherwise disclosed.

25 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

26 Dated: November 13, 2018

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28 JOSEPH C. SPERO
Chief Magistrate Judge